

Serial No. 09/728,689

Amdt. Dated ~~25~~ July 2006

Reply to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of 31 January 2005

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

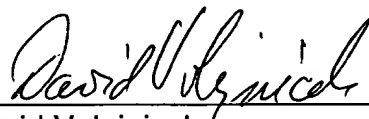
Remarks concerning the claim amendments were made in applicants' response to the first Office Action in this case, which response was filed on December 14, 2004.

In that response, new claims 43-46 were referred to as "new claims" 1-4, respectively.

Applicants believe that the foregoing is dispositive of the raised issues in the application. But, if the Examiner should deem that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution, applicants request the Examiner to call their attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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